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Lars LIDGREN et al.) Examiner: Jan Christop
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For: DEVICE FOR PROVIDING SPONGY BONE WITH BONE SUBSTITUTE AND/OR BONE REINFORCING MATERIAL, BONE SUBSTITUTE AND/OR BONE REINFORCING MATERIAL AND METHOD	<i>)</i>)

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO SB/08 Form. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign patent and non-patent literature documents are attached. Copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the non-English language documents.

- 1. <u>DE 44 09 610 A1</u> This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 5,549,380.
- 2. <u>EP 0 023 922 A1</u> This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 4.348,377.
- 3. <u>EP 0 308 364 A2</u> This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 5,073,362.
- 4. <u>EP 0 657 208 A1</u> An English language translated Abstract of the non-English document EP 0 657 208 A1 is enclosed.
- 5. <u>EP 0 807 432 B1</u> This document is believed to be related to DATABASE WPI: Week 199734, Derwent Publications Ltd., EP 0 807 432 B1.
- 6. <u>EP 0 950 420 A2</u> This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 6,206,957.
- 7. <u>JP 1-139516</u> An English language translation of this document is attached.

 Also, this document is believed to be related to DATABASE WPI: Week 198928,

 Derwent Publications Ltd., JP 1-139516.
 - 8. **JP 6-84289** A machine translation of this document is attached.
 - 9. **SE 8903538** An English language translation of this document is attached.
 - 10. ES 2 178 556 An English language translation is provided.

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- 11. <u>WO 01/34216</u> An English language abstract is provided. Additionally, this document is believed to be related to DATABASE WPI: Week 200138, Derwent Publications Ltd., WO 2001/34216.
- 12. <u>WO 03/041753</u> An English language abstract is provided. Additionally, this document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0244651.
- 13. <u>WO 97/47334</u> An English language abstract is provided. Additionally, this document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 6,018,095.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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